2005 White House Conference on Aging

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California Delegates to the 2005 White House Conference on Aging Announced

The 2005 White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA) today announced the names of 68 delegates who will represent the state of California at the conference to be held in Washington, DC from December 11 to 14, 2005. The delegation consists of 12 delegates named by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, 55 named by members of California's Congressional delegation and one named by the National Congress of American Indians.*

Twelve hundred delegates from throughout the country will participate in the 2005 WHCoA, the fifth such conference in our nation's history. Delegates will vote on resolutions and develop implementation strategies that will help the President and Congress shape aging policies for the next ten years and beyond. WHCoA Policy Committee Chairman Dorcas R. Hardy said, "Each of us has an incredible opportunity to take action that will benefit current and future generations of American seniors. I look forward to greeting all the delegates when they come to Washington, DC energized and ready to make history."

The theme for the 2005 WHCoA is "The Booming Dynamics of Aging: From Awareness to Action." The theme reflects the changing face of aging in America. The 2005 WHCoA is mandated by the Older Americans Act to focus on the interests and needs of current seniors as well as the 78 million baby boomers who will begin to turn 60 in 2006. Leading up to the WHCoA have been approximately 300 local, state and national events held across the nation involving more than 60,000 people with more anticipated. These events include WHCoA Listening Sessions, Solutions Forums, Mini-Conferences and Independent Aging Agenda Events.

The formula for state distribution of delegates was based on a total of 200 delegates divided among the states, U.S. Territories, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. Each state had the opportunity to select a minimum of two delegates. Additional state delegates were based upon each state's percentage of individuals age 55 and older compared to the nation's total population of persons aged 55 and older. Each U.S. Territory, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia had the opportunity to select one delegate. The National Congress of American Indians received an allocation of 19 delegates to ensure representation from the American Indian nations. Each member of the Congressional delegation has named one delegate to the WHCoA. In addition, a number of At-Large Delegates will be selected by the Policy Committee based on an open application process that ends on June 1, 2005. Information about the WHCoA venue will

be available shortly. More information about the WHCoA may be found on the website [http://www.whcoa.gov].

* A list of California's delegates announced by the WHCoA follows. The list represents delegates named by the Governor, Members of Congress and the National Congress of American Indians. At-Large Delegates, to be selected by the WHCoA Policy Committee, will be announced later by the WHCoA.

CALIFORNIA

Gubernatorial delegates:

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

Jacque Brown Grass Valley

Lora Connelly Elk Grove

Celia J. Esquivel Sacramento

Fernando Torres-Gil Los Angeles

James "Jim" Gomez Sacramento

Jorge Lambrinos Pasadena

Dr. Robert Petty, Ph.D. Monterey

Dr. Cheryl Phillips, M.D. Carmichael

Dr. Jon Pynoos, Ph.D. Los Angeles

Joanna Kim Selby El Cerrito

Janice Ivey Smith Stockton

Sandy Smoley Fair Oaks

Congressional delegates:

Senator Dianne Feinstein Helen Karr

Pacifica

Senator Barbara Boxer Moira Fordyce

Laguna Niguel

Rep. Joe Baca Bill Gonzalez

Fontana

Rep. Xavier Becerra Marvin Schachter

Pasadena

Rep. Howard Berman Mitchell Kamin

Los Angles

Rep. Mary Bono Mark Moran

La Quinta

Rep. Ken Calvert Marilyn Ditty

Laguna Woods

Rep. Lois Capps Colleen House

Oxnard

Rep. Dennis Cardoza Don Gormley

Atwater

Rep. Jim Costa Dave Case

Fresno

Rep. Christopher Cox Roland Boucher

Irvine

Rep. Randy Cunningham Tim Sheahan

San Marcos

Rep. Susan Davis Paul Downey

San Diego

Rep. David Dreier June Reese

Rancho Cucamonga

Rep. John Doolittle Michael Gunther Maher

Sacramento

Rep. Anna Eshoo Anne Mack

Palo Alto

Rep. Sam Farr George Bud Winslow

Capitola

Rep. Bob Filner Cynthia White-Parks

San Diego

Rep. Elliott Gallegly Donald Hunt

Simi Valley

Rep. Jane Harman Hope Witkowsky

Torrance

Rep. Wally Herger Patricia Clarke

Anderson

Rep. Mike Honda Betty Malks

San Jose

Rep. Duncan Hunter Don Floyd

Boulevard

Rep. Darrell Issa George Barrente

Oceanside

Rep. Tom Lantos Deborah Owdom

San Mateo

Rep. Barbara Lee Betty Mulholland

Oakland

Rep. Jerry Lewis Dolores Olson

Newberry Springs

Rep. Zoe Lofgren Pearl Caldwell

Cupertino

Rep. Dan Lungren Karla Crawford

Sacramento

Rep. Doris Matsui Betty Perry

Sacramento

Rep. Howard McKeon Thomas Craft

Quartz Hill

Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald Mary O'Neal

Carson

Rep. Gary Miller

Bobbie Day

Vorbo Lindo

Yorba Linda

Rep. George Miller Cecelia Hurwich

Berkeley

Rep. Grace Napolitano Maria Bagwell

Montebello

Rep. Devin Nunes Berniece V. Doan

Visalia

Rep. Nancy Pelosi Ernest Ayala

San Francisco

Rep. Richard Pombo Leo Burke

Stockton

Rep. George Radanovich Don Peterson

Oakdale

Rep. Dana Rohrabacher Timothy Schwab

Huntington Beach

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard Marie Torres

Commerce

Rep. Edward Royce Pauline Abbott

Fullerton

Rep. Linda Sanchez Gloria Duran

Sante Fe Springs

Rep. Loretta Sanchez Jim Levy

Anaheim

Rep. Pete Stark James Forsyth

Hayward

Rep. Brad Sherman Henry Lacayo

Newbury Park

Rep. Adam Schiff Thomas Shea

Alhambra

Rep. Hilda Solis Mario Juarez

East Los Angeles

Rep. Ellen Tauscher Brenda Perry

Antioch

Rep. William Thomas Billie Jo Medders

Bakersfield

Rep. Mike Thompson Mary Beth Wolford

Eureka

Rep. Maxine Waters O.V. Smith

Los Angeles

Rep. Diane Watson Dr. Barbara J. Young

Canyon Lake

Rep. Henry Waxman Sally Hershfield

Los Angeles

Rep. Lynn Woolsey Joann Keyston

Sebastopol

National Congress of American Indians appointed delegates:

Juana Majel-Dixon (Pauma/Yuima) Pauma Valley

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